

Port of Houston Authority Experiences

- Request a permit for your future, not current needs
 - This could avoid unnecessary amendments
- Check your permit before you plan your dredging
 - Enable time for drawing errors to be corrected
 - Review conditions, especially after a permit renewal
- Determine and discuss the Corps' solution to a permit application to ensure it meets your needs
 - Permit application to deepen a channel resulted in an amendment to the permitted berths

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- Consider setting up a Section 214 agreement to expedite permit applications (a small cost for the price of progress)
- For permit renewals, don't be afraid to request modifications to conditions—but be prepared to explain and defend the request
 - Silt curtains, noise documentation
- For complicated permits, continue to coordinate, so everyone understand responsibilities
- Be nice—the current application might not be your last